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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: S. 2236, Anti-Terrorism Legislation


1. In a discussion with Mr. Stan Taylor of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, I learned that our predictions on Committee intent on S. 2236 were largely on the mark.

2. Mr. Taylor advised that he, and other members of the Committee staff, are currently preparing an options paper for Senator Adlai Stevenson (D., Ill.).

The paper will include a "sense of the hearing" based on testimony given by CIA and others on 25 July. It will follow with several alternatives describing the possibilities available to the SSCI vis-a-vis the bill.

3. Upon receipt of this memo Senator Stevenson intends to discuss with the other members of the Committee the most palatable option(s). According to Mr. Taylor, the Senator remains firm in his resolve to somehow let the bill wither on the vine. Mr. Taylor, however, remains unconvinced that this will come about due to the immense power (and in this case resolve) of Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), the bill's sponsor. In this regard Mr. Taylor may recommend to Senator Stevenson that he present his reservations directly and personally to Senator Ribicoff.

4. We will be kept apprised of developments.


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